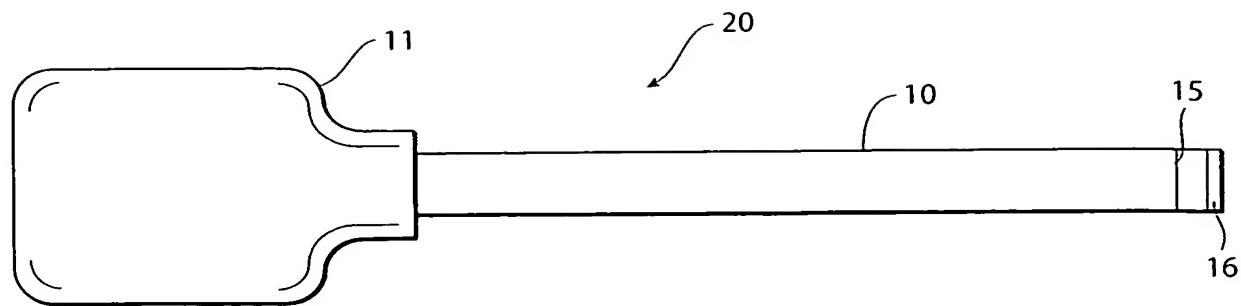
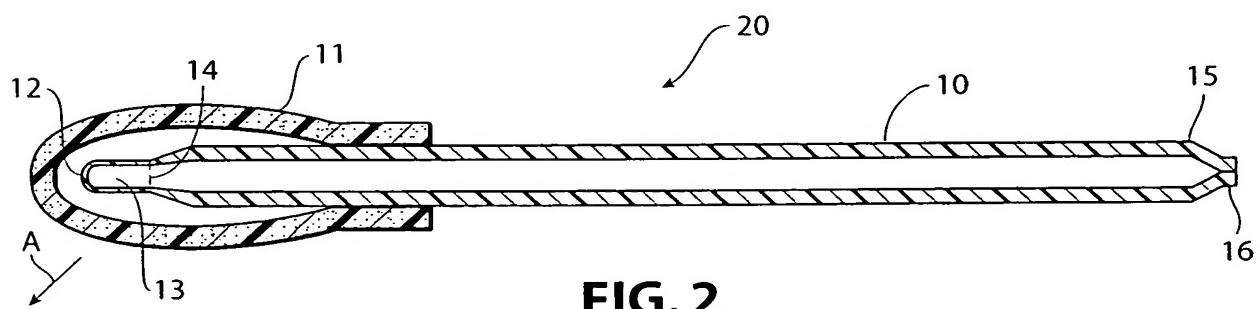
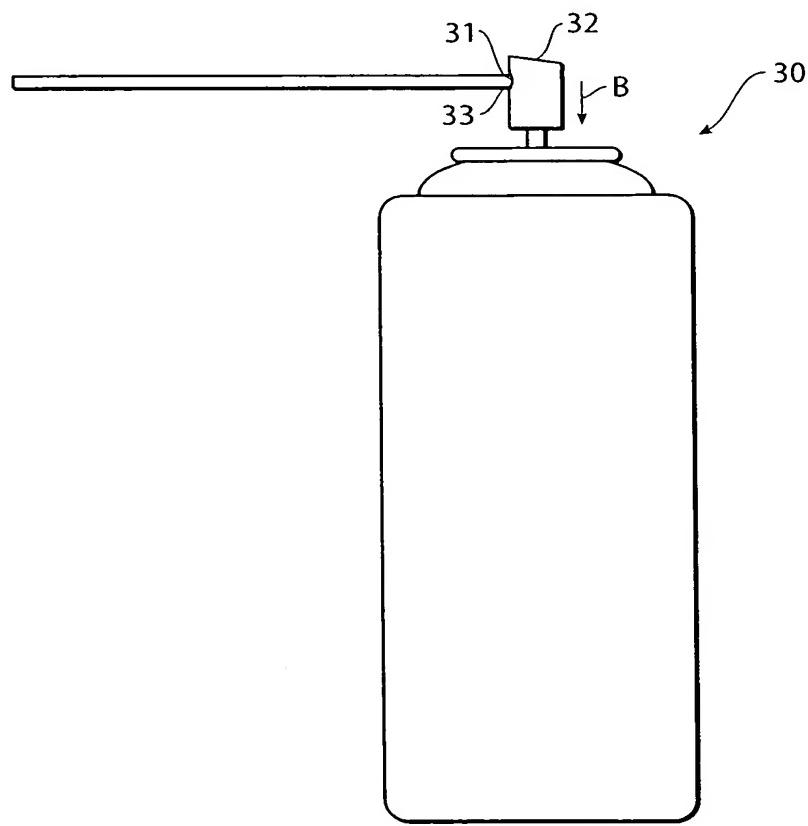


ABSTRACT

Nosocomial infections, particularly nosocomial infections of intubated patients, are reduced by applying a liquid disinfectant directly to the mucosa, before intubation, by a swab applicator or by a spray applicator.

**FIG. 1****FIG. 2****FIG. 3**